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STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMS
Jefferson City, MO
January 22, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ruby Mehrer, RN
David Tan, MD
Mark Alexander, EMT-P
Vicki Groce, EMT-P
Joan Eberhardt, RN
Wally Patrick, RN
Randy Davis, EMT-P

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lynthia Andrews, DO
Ben Chlapek, EMT-P
Judith Landvatter, RN
Randall Sammons, EMT-P
Sam Schneider, EMT-P

GUESTS

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| Jason White | Heather Seeman | Taz Meyer |
| Ken Koch | Andrew Spain | William Pearman |
| Amy Knoernschild | Eric Mills | Michael Minter |
| Charles Parmley | Art Maxwell | Sean Hill |
| Monroe Yancie | Helen Sandkuhl | Paul Guptill |
| Bonnie Lindhardt | Sharon Smith | Jay Faulkner |
| David Becker | Chip Phelan | Douglas Randall |
| Karen Connell | Dr. Kessel | James Dean |
| Joan Drake | Carol Nierling | Michael Nagle |

DHSS STAFF PRESENT

Bill Jermyn, DHSS EMS Medical Director
Jody Hyman, Unit of EMS
Shirley Gastler, Unit of EMS
Jennifer Evans, Unit of EMS
Dean Linneman, Section for HSL Administrator
Paula Adkison, RN, Unit of EMS

Call to Order

Dr. Tan called the meeting to order at 1110.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from November meeting were approved with motion by Ruby Mehrer, and seconded by Vicki Groce. The motion passed unanimously.

Follow-up

Dr. Tan mentioned the resignation of Dr Pyron. Dr. Tan expressed his appreciation for the work Dr. Pyron has done with SAC.

SUBCOMMITTEES

Legislative – Mark Alexander

Met before the SAC meeting. Mentioned that Legislature is in session. Time Critical Diagnosis has not been filed yet, but is to be filed by Rep. Dr. Robert Cooper. 9-1-1 cell phone tax is being supported by Representative Mark Bruns. EMS day at the Capitol will be March 4, 2008 at 8:30 3rd Floor. If you want an ambulance on display in front of the Capitol please contact Vicki Groce or Bob Patterson. Subcommittee discussed several House Bills and Senate Bills, these were presented to SAC for support, they include:

Senate Bill 732 – Drug Monitoring Program/Record Keeping for Controlled Substances and Pseudoephedrine-sponsor Sen. Norma Champion

Senate Bill 884 – Primary Enforcement of Missouri's Seatbelt Law-sponsor Sen. Chuck Graham

Senate Bill 792 – Immunities from liability for certain healthcare workers who assist law enforcement personnel-sponsor Sen. Norma Champion

Senate Bill 966 – Line of Duty Death Benefits-sponsor Sen. Tom Dempsey

Senate Bill 978 – Recall of Ambulance Board Members-sponsor Sen. John Griesheimer

Senate Bill 915/House Bill 1454 – Peer Review-sponsors Sen. Luann Ridgeway/Rep. Jeff Roorda

House Bill 1449 – Sale of Emergency Vehicles-sponsor Rep. Jeff Roorda

House Bill 1609 – Emergency Triage Guidelines for Care-sponsors Rep. Robert Cooper/Rodney Schad

With motion for support by Mark Alexander, and seconded by Vicki Groce. The motion passed unanimously. Next meeting will be February 26, 2008.

Air Ambulance – Ruby Mehrer

Met before the SAC meeting. The air ambulance committee continues to evaluate methods to notify other programs in the area when a flight request is turned down due to weather. The program they are currently evaluating is WeatherTurnDown.com. They are also working on a joint project to develop landing zone training including multiple aircraft responses to multi casualty incidents. Subcommittee is looking forward to being involved with the Time Critical Diagnosis task force. Next meeting will be February 26, 2008.

Pediatric – Paula Adkison

They will be meeting after SAC today. At the November meeting, EMS-C surveys were sent out to hospitals and EMS Units around the state. We have received several of these surveys back already. The next meeting will be February 26, 2008.

Trauma – Wally Patrick

Met before SAC meeting. Level IV Trauma Centers were the discussion of this meeting with a proposal for developing Level IV Trauma centers in Missouri. We are looking at the regulations for Level I, II, III to help in determining whether or not Level IV Trauma Centers are feasible. The next meeting on February 26, 2008 will be an all day meeting with a break for the SAC.

Education – Doug Randall

At the meeting in November we discussed the resolution passed by the National Registry that paramedic applicants after December 2012 must have passed a paramedic class provided by a nationally accredited training entity. There will be an EMS National Registry Instructor course held in Columbia, MO February 22-24, 2008. St. Louis to host IHM testing next month, this testing will be like the one held in Independence with a few modifications.

Communication Committee – Vicki Groce

The subcommittee is waiting on a report from the legislature on the 9-1-1 hearings. This report was due for release by December but at this time has not been released.

Public Information – Randy Davis

We are looking for pictures of community EMS for EMS Day at the Capitol. If you have any pictures or PowerPoint presentations that you would like to have displayed please contact Randy Davis. The next meeting will be on February 26, 2008.

Time Critical Diagnosis Task Force – Dr. Bill Jermyn

The first meeting was held on January 15, 2008, had a variety of people from different professions there. Discussed 'On Star' having downloads ready in the next 30-90 days. He would like to form a work group on how to implement the data from 'On Star'. GIS maps are being posted to 360/365.org website today. The next meeting will be on January 31, 2008 at 9:00 AM at the State Public Health Lab. Dr. Jermyn read a letter from Director, Jane Drummond expressing her support of the Peer Review and Time Critical Diagnosis legislature.

Quality Assurance – Dr. Tan

Will hold meeting after the SAC.

Regions

Northwest Region – Vicki Groce

Due to the weather the December meeting was canceled.

Central Region – Carol Neirling

Met January 8, 2008 in Kirksville. We are working on an official list of members. The next meeting will be in April.

East Central Region- Ken Koch

Met on November 30, 2007. We are still working on our goal for 2008, and are working on identifying a specific liaison with hospitals and EMS Units. Our next meeting will be January 25, 2008.

Region A – Ruby Mehrer

Met December 3, 2007 and discussed criteria for sending physicians into the field when there is a patient who may require surgical intervention. The next meeting will be held on February 4, 2008.

Southeast Region – Paula Adkison

There will be a meeting on February 6, 2008 at the St Francis Hospital in Cape Girardeau to organize a Southeast Region committee. Numerous invitations were sent out to EMS Units, hospitals, and medical directors. Have had numerous replies to these invitations so we are hoping for a good turnout.

Southwest Region- Mark Alexander

Have not met since November 2007. There was discussion on the distribution of the EMS-C stickers, and the role the region chairpersons were to play in the inspection of the ambulances for pediatric patients. The EMS-C subcommittee will be meeting to clarify the roles this afternoon.

New Business

Ruby – informed the group that there was a visit from the EMS Memorial staff. They were looking to see if there was the possibility of other sites to build the memorial. Jason met with Parks and Recreation personnel and now have seven (7) new sites that are possibilities. The new sites will be overseen by the Parks and Recreation Department, which will help with the upkeep and maintenance. The EMS Memorial will be on display at the Kansas City Hall on January 23, 2008 from 9:00-4:00.

Mark - Wanted to thank the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for supporting the Legislative subcommittee.

The next meeting will be February 26, 2008 at the Governor's Office Building at 1100, room 470.

Adjourn

Dr. Tan adjourned the meeting at 1240.

Lynthia Andrews SAC Chair

Date